

--38(new). A method according to claim 37, wherein said data stored in said plurality of data stores are image data, said method further comprising the step of:

displaying an image of the selected data on a display according to said booting program in starting up said information processing apparatus.--

--39(new). A method according to claim 38, wherein at least one of said plurality of data stores is a portable electronic device.--

--40(new). A method according to claim 37, wherein said data stored in said plurality of data stores are image data, said method further comprising the step of:

displaying images of said data stored in said plurality of data stores sequentially on a display according to said booting program in starting up said information processing apparatus.--

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated February 13, 2002.

Claims 1-20 were pending in the application. In the Office Action, claims 1-20 were rejected. In this Amendment, claims 1-20 have been canceled, and new claims 21-40 have been added. Claims 21-40 thus remain for consideration.

Applicant submits that claims 21-40 are in condition for allowance and requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in light of the following remarks.

§102 and §103 Rejections

Claims 1, 4-6, 11, 13, 14-16 and 18-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by Roskowski et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,624,316).

Claims 2, 3, 7-10, 12 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Roskowski.

Claims 1-20 have been canceled, thereby rendering their rejections moot.

New Claims

Regarding new claims 21-40, Applicant notes that the independent claims (claims 21, 27, 31 and 37) specify starting up an information processing apparatus according to a booting program by selectively utilizing a multiple of data stored in a multiple of data stores.

Roskowski does not disclose starting up an information processing apparatus according to a booting program by selectively utilizing a multiple of data stored in a multiple of data stores. Accordingly, Applicant believes that the new claims are patentable over Roskowski on at least this basis.

Applicant submits that all of the claims now pending in the application are in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

Statements appearing above with respect to the disclosures in the cited references represent the present opinions of the Applicant's undersigned attorney and, in the event that the Examiner disagrees with any such opinions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner specifically indicate those portions of the respective reference providing the basis for a contrary view.

The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

The Examiner's consideration of this matter is gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The third paragraph on page 29 has been amended as follows:

--The battery 450 comprises a chargeable secondary battery. When the portable electronic device 400 is inserted in either one of the slots 307A, 307B in the casing 302 of the video game apparatus 301, the battery 450 is supplied with electric energy from the video game apparatus 301. Specifically, the battery 450 has a terminal connected to the power supply terminal [450] 451 via a reverse-current prevention diode [451] 452. When the portable electronic device 400 is connected to the casing 302, electric energy is supplied from the power supply terminal [450] 451 via the reverse-current prevention diode [451] 452 to the battery 450.-